GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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POPULATION OF WILD ELEPHANT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

he details of ongoing programmes being implemented under project elephant stating the achievement made in North-Eastern region, particularly in Assam during last three years and the current year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

Project Elephant Scheme is being implemented since 1992 in all the elephant states of the country including North Eastern Region and Assam. Protection of elephant habitats and corridors, eliciting public cooperation, mitigation of human-elephant conflict, improvement of support services; and monitoring, research and training are the important components of the Scheme for which financial assistance are being provided to all the Elephant States including Assam. The funds released to Assam in the last three financial years and current year are as follows:-

Year	Funds released (Rs in lakhs)
2004-05	130.00
2005-06	40.00
2006-07	75.00
2007-08	120.00 (as 1st instalment as on 30.11.07)